Whereas, Arrianna Schrock always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That along with her friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Arrianna Schrock on winning the Girls' Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship she has demonstrated during the 2007–2008 basketball season.

HONORING HAMILTON HORNETS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKET-BALL TEAM

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize the outstanding achievement of the Hamilton Hornets Girls High School Basketball team on defeating the Westran Hornets by a score of 46–39, to win the Class 2A girls' basketball state championship. The Hornets finished their incredible season by posting an unblemished record of 32–0 this season in Class 2A girls' basketball. This team is the second team in the school's history to have an undefeated season.

The Hornets consist of 15 remarkable young women, including Jordan Esry, Lacy Jones, Micah Brown, Taryn Bruce, Ashley Flook, Eileen Greenwood, Shelby Dickey, Carissa Conger, Brooke Flook, Lindsay Vollmer, Katie Jones, Emily Schieber, Angie Dalton, Katie Rasmussen and Kelsey Schieber.

Also, I want to recognize the great leadership of the team, including Head Coach David Prather, who was assisted by Christy Prather and Sara Lasher. I also want to acknowledge the work of school administrators, Superintendent Steve Yost, Principal Tim Schieber, and Athletic Director Troy Ford, as additional keys to success.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in congratulating the achievement of the Hamilton Hornets Girls High School Basketball team on their perfect season and state championship. It is an honor to represent this team in the United States Congress.

TAYLOR PLATT

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Taylor Platt who has received the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award. Taylor Platt is a senior at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities

The dedication demonstrated by Taylor Platt is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential that students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations once again to Taylor Platt for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication he has shown in his high school career to his college career and future accomplishments.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CAROL KIENER

HON. DAVID DAVIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Carol Kiener, a resident of the First District, who passed away on March 24th of this year.

Mrs. Kiener was a pillar of her community and cornerstone of her family. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family during this difficult time.

Mrs. Kiener spent more than thirty years in the field of education. She loved life and shared that with the children she taught. As a passionate volunteer, Mrs. Kiener taught adult GED classes in her spare time.

Outside of teaching, Mrs. Kiener volunteered her time with the Washington County Historical Society, the Girl Scouts of America, and the March of Dimes. She also was an active member of the Washington County Republican Women and was a member of the B'nai Sholom Congregation in Bristol.

Mrs. Kiener was well respected by her students, colleagues, and parents as an admired educator. Madam Speaker, I ask you and my fellow members to join me in honoring the life of Mrs. Carol Kiener, a loving wife, servant in her community, and a compassionate educator, whose commitment and unwavering determination will be greatly missed throughout Fast Tennessee.

COMMEMORATING THE 40TH ANNI-VERSARY OF THE ASSASSINA-TION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

SPEECH OF

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 1, 2008

Ms. CASTOR. Madam Speaker, Martin Luther King, Jr. is a national hero. He embodied the tenacious spirit and compassionate understanding of the American ideal. The power of his words has moved millions to live with hope in their hearts and welcome in their embrace.

Dr. King fought for racial equality and desegregation with nonviolent protest. Peace, he taught us, is our most powerful weapon. He helped communities begin to heal the wounds of hatred and indignity by replacing them with cooperation and tolerance. The mark he left on our society is indelible. When an assassin took him from us on that April day in 1968, Americans mourned a terrible loss. Sooner than expected, we had to enact the lessons he taught us without his guidance to show us the way. But his ink was already imprinted on our moral fiber, and our country continued his fight to end discrimination and segregation.

Madam Speaker, let us, as an American community, pause today to remember the legacy Dr. King left for each of us to carry—to dream, to love, and to accept.

THE GOALS, IDEALS, AND HISTORY OF NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

SPEECH OF

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 1, 2008

Mr. SHULER1. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 1021, honoring the goals, ideals, and history of National Women's History Month, which recognizes the women and organizations in the United States, past and present, who have fought for and continue to promote women's rights and history. This resolution will ensure that the legacy of gender equality continues and that the struggles of those who came before us and fought for equality are not forgotten.

The revolutionary ideas of equality on which our Nation was built took a long time to be extended to the whole population. The abolition movement of the mid–1800s fought for the equal treatment of men regardless of race and brought together many female activists, such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott. These women went on to host the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention, where many women gathered in a large public forum to discuss women's rights and expressed themselves through a Declaration of Sentiments, which was based on our Nation's founding document.

Although over 70 years passed between this momentous gathering and the passage and ratification of the 19th amendment, the work and dedication of women pushing for the right to vote and equal treatment under the law is a lasting legacy. We are reminded daily of the successes of the women's suffrage movement as we walk through the United States Capitol Rotunda and pass the portrait monument to Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Susan B. Anthony.

Without the diligent work and dedication of those women who strove for equal representation in Government, we would not have been able to have you, Ms. PELOSI, serve as the first female Speaker of our House of Representatives

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues today to vote for this important resolution that will give due honor and respect to the women of America past and present with the celebration of National Women's History Month.

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HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, Patrick J. Miller of New Port Richey, Florida, was killed in Iraq over the weekend defending the freedom and liberties of those unable to defend themselves.